ing genuine non-proliferation and eliminating nuclear weapons in a time bound framework. India had rejected the proposal for 5-Nation talks, initially suggested by Pak. PM Nawaz Sharief in his address to the National Defence College in Islamabad on June 6, 1991 on the grounds that it does not contain any new ideas and that nuclear disarmament issues should be addressed on a global basis. These views have been conveyed to British diplomats in both capitals and are also contained in the recent statement made by India's delegate at the First Committee of the 47th Session of the UN General Assembly.

Repatriation and settlement of Chakma Refugees

633. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government of Bangladesh has taken any steps to come to a negotiated settlement with the representatives of Chakma refugees in India for the repatriation and resettlement in their respective abodes in Chittagong Hill tracts and elsewhere in Bangladesh in the light of the accord reached with Government during Bangladesh Prime Minister's last visit to India; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) Yes, Sir; Government of Bangladesh has set up a 9-member Committee under the Chairmanship of Minister of Communications to resolve the Chittagong Hill Tracts problems and as a part thereof to arrange the return of Chakma refugees from India.

(b) The above-mentioned Committee has been holding discussions with representatives of the Chakma community. These discussions are continuing at present.

Reopening of the Punaloor Paper Mills

634. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the discussion held for the reopening of the Punaloor Paper Mills; and

(b) the steps considered by Government for reopening of the Mill?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) : (a) and (b) Government of Kerala had requested the Government of India to consider taking over of the management of the Punalur Paper Mills Ltd. (PPM) by Hindustan Newsprint Limited (HNL). HNL after conducting a feasibility study found that it will not be viable to run the mill in the present state of its plant and machinery and, therefore, expressed their inability to take over the management of Punalur Paper Mills Ltd. Discussions were held between the concerned financial institutions, bank and the management of the Punalur Paper Mills Ltd. to settle the outstanding dues. These have remained inconclusive so far. ICICI also made a reference to BIFR in 1991, with a view to exploring the possibility of revival of PPM. However, BIFR declined to entertain this reference because the accounts of the company were not up to date. The company has stated that they have made a fresh application for registration with the BIFR.

Production capacity of C.C.I. plant at Yerraguntla in A.P.

635. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the installed capacity of C.C.I. plant at Yerraguntla in A. P.;

(b) what was the total production in it during the last three years;

(c) what are the reasons for not utilising the installed capacity;

(d) whether there is any proposal for expansion of the above plant; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY AND

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES) (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) Installed capacity of Yerranguntla Plant is 4.00 lakh MTs.

(b) Total production at Yerraguntla during the last three years was :—

(Lakh Mts)

Year	Cement Production
1989-90	2.54
1990-91	2.54
1991-92	3.13

(c) The major reasons for under utilisation of installed capacity were infrastructural constraints like power, wagon and coal shortages etc.

(d) and (e) A One-Million Tonne per annum expansion project of Yerraguntla Plant has already been approved at a revised cost of Rs. 191.25 crores (base June, 1988).

Closing of SISI Extension Centre, Kolhapur

636. DR. BAPU KALDATE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Small Industries Service Institute Extension Centre at Kolhapur has been closed;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether Government propose to restart the Centre at Kolhapur?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (PROF. P. J. KURIEN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) On a review of certain activities performed by SIDO (Small Industries Development Organisation) it has been decided not to spread SIDO too thin and to close down low tech/non-performing Extension Centres (37 Nos.) and non-functioning Field Testing Stations (4). This Extension Centre, which is one of these 37 Centres, has been closed after making a take-over offer to the Govt. of Maharashtra who has not responded to take over the same.

(c) Does not arise.

Auction of PSU Shares

637. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have decided to auction shares of selected public sector undertakings to mop up Rs. 3,500 crore during the current year;

(b) if so, the details of each such PSU, separately;

(c) what steps have been taken/proposed to be taken to ensure that a common investor gets its due share in the deal on normal participation basis instead of Investment Companies cornering the major chunk of the share by forming cartels;

(d) whether Government propose to reserve certain portion of shares for the employees of the company and general public; and

(e) what is Government's reaction to the reported bungling in auctioning of PSU shares ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES) (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of disinvestment in each PSU will be decided for each tranche depending upon the circumstances prevailing from time to time.

(c) Shares are sold through open tender notice published in newspapers permitting participation by any legal entity or persons who can hold and sell shares in India.

(d) The Government propose to reserve certain portion of shares for employees of the concerned enterprise, subject to certain conditions.

(e) There is no bungling in the disinvestment process.